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In re Application of

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For:

INTEGRATED APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, AND

TRANSMITTING DOCUMENTS USING DOCUMENT IDS AND DOCUMENT ID

MARKS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as

follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 11, line 2, change "any one of claims 2, 4, or 9" to --claim 2--.

Claim 29, lines 1 through 2, change "any one of claims 30, 32, or 37" to --claim 30--.

REMARKS

The above-referenced application is amended to delete the multiple dependency of claims 11 and 39 to avoid the multiple dependent claim filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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